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IV. AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

(Currently Amended) A gaming machine comprising:
game start instruction means for instructing a start of a game;

determination means for determining symbols to be stopped and whether or not a combination is won based on the symbols determined corresponding to a game start instruction command from, the game sear& instruction means;

game result display means for displaying a result concerning with the game determined by the determination means; and

beneficial state generating means for generating a beneficial state for a player when a specific game result with a winning symbol combination is displayed on the game result display means;

wherein the game result display means includes first display means and second display means arranged at a more front side than a display area of the first display means when seen from a front side of the gaming machine, and the second display means has a symbol display area capable of transmittably displaying the specific game result displayed on the first display means therethrough by changing light transmittance rate of the symbol display area so as to become high, and

wherein display control means is provided, the, display control means controlling the second display means so as to display game information in an area including the symbol display area by changing the light transmittance rate of the symbol display area so as to become low after the game is initiated and before the specific game result is displayed on the first display means, the game information directly predicting the winning symbol combination.

2. (Currently Amended) The gaming machine according to claim 1, wherein the first display means has one or more symbol display parts capable of variable displaying, and wherein the display control means controls the second display means so as to display the game information in the area including the symbol display area substantially Application No.: 10/697,251 SHO-0025 (80380-0025)

at the same same time that the variable displaying in the symbol display parts is stopped and displayed.

- 3. (Previously Amended) The gaming machine according to claim 1, wherein light transmittance rate of the symbol display area is changed.
- 4. (Previously Amended) The gaming machine according to claim 2, wherein light transmittance rate of the symbol display area is changed.
- 5. (Previously Amended) The gaming machine according to claim 1, wherein a window frame display area is formed at a periphery of the symbol display area, and wherein display mode of the window frame display area is changed when the game information is displayed in the area including the symbol display area,
- 6. (Previously Amended) The gaming machine according to claim 1, wherein the first display means includes a plurality of reels, and

the display control means controls the second display means so as to display the game information before all of the reels are stopped.

7. – 12. (Cancelled)

- 13. (New) A gaming machine comprising:
 - a first display device;
- a second display device arranged at a more front side than the first display device when seen from a front side of the gaming machine, the second display device including a symbol display area capable of transmittably displaying symbols on the first display device therethrough; and

a processor in communication with the first display device and the second display device;

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the processor operate to: (a) enable a player to initiate a game by making a bet, (b) determine symbols to be displayed on the first display device, (c) control the second display device so as to display game information in the symbol display area after the game is initiated and before a winning symbol combination is displayed if the winning symbol combination is displayed on the first display device, the game information predicting the winning symbol combination, and (d) provide an award corresponding to the winning symbol combination.

- 14. (New) The gaming machine according to claim 13, wherein the first display device has one or more symbol display parts capable of variable displaying, and wherein the processor controls the second display device so as to display the game information in the symbol display area substantially at the same time that the variable displaying in the symbol display parts is stopped.
- 15. (New) The gaming machine according to claim 13, wherein light transmittance rate of the symbol display area is changed.
- 16. (New) The gaming machine according to claim 14, wherein light transmittance rate of the symbol display area is changed.
- 17. (New) The gaming machine according to claim 13, wherein a window frame display area is formed at a periphery of the symbol display area, and

wherein display mode of the window frame display area is changed when the game information is displayed in the symbol display area.

18. (New) The gaming machine according to claim 13, wherein the first display device includes a plurality of reels, and

wherein the processor controls the second display device so as to display the game information before all of the reels are stopped.

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19. (New) The gaming machine according to claim. 13, wherein the first display device includes a plurality of reels, and

wherein the processor controls the second display device so as to display the game information in the symbol display area before all of the reels are stopped after at least one reel is stopped.

20. (New) The gaming machine according to claim 13, wherein the processor changes light transmittance rate of the symbol display area high so as to transmittably display the symbols on the first display device therethrough, and

wherein the processor changes the light transmittance rate of the symbol display area low so as to display the game information in the symbol display area.

- 21. (New) A gaming machine comprising:
 - a first display device;

a second display device arranged at a more front side than the first display device when seen from a front side of the gaming machine, the second display device including a symbol display area capable of transmittably displaying symbols on the first display device therethrough; and

a processor in communication with the first display device and the second display device;

the processor operate to: (a) enable a player to initiate a game by making a bet, (b) determine symbols to be displayed on the first display device, (c) control the second display device so as to transmittably display the symbols on the first display device therethrough by changing light transmittance rate of the symbol display area so as to became high and to display game information in the symbol display area by changing the light transmittance rate of the symbol display area so as to become low, the game information predicting the winning symbol combination, and (d) provide an award corresponding to the winning symbol combination.